

# CONSENT AGENDA

*For the purpose of expediting some of Presbytery's decisions which are routine and non-controversial, a Consent Agenda will be used. These motions are included throughout the packet.*

## **PLEASE READ THESE MOTIONS BEFORE PRESBYTERY!**

*Matters may be removed from the Consent Agenda when:*

- A. *Any member of the governing body requests removal of an item included in the CA whereupon that item shall be removed and presented to the governing body as part of the report from which it originated.*
- B. *When the Consent Agenda is presented on the floor, opportunity shall be given for members of the governing body to request, without comment or debate, for removal of specific items from the CA.*

**A FAVORABLE VOTE ON THE CA SHALL BE RECORDED AS A FAVORABLE VOTE ON ALL MATTERS INCLUDED IN THE MOTION. THEREFORE, PLEASE READ AND PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER ALL MOTIONS BEFORE PRESBYTERY.**

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**THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS, BE ADOPTED:**

### **RECOMMENDATIONS 1 thru 7 FROM THE STATED CLERK'S REPORT**

**(See Stated Clerk's Report (B) for contents of recommendations.)**

- CA 1. **THAT Dick Larson, Cam Murchison and Robbin Buchanan be requested to prepare the minutes of this Presbytery meeting for approval at the January 30, 2021 Presbytery meeting.**
- CA 2. **THAT the minutes of the July 28, 2020 Stated Meeting of Presbytery be approved as submitted.**
- CA 3. **THAT the October 27, 2020 report of the following Administrative Commissions be received and entered into the permanent record of Presbytery. (Stated Clerk Attachment 3)**
  - Administrative Commission for Swannanoa, First
  - Administrative Commission for West Avenue
  - Administrative Commission for Lincolnton, First
  - Administrative Commission for Churches Concluding Ministry

- CA 4. **THAT the Presbytery accept the report of membership and worship statistics as submitted by the Sessions on the Annual Statistical Report. (Stated Clerk Attachment 1 – Membership Statistics and Stated Clerk Attachment 2 – Worship Statistics)**
- CA 5. **THAT the Committee on Nominating/Representation, having completed their annual report for the year ending December 31, 2019 and submitted it to the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, requests that it become a part of the permanent record of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina. (Stated Clerk Attachment 4)**
- CA 6. **THAT the Administrative Commission for the First Presbyterian Church, Swannanoa, nearing the completion of its work, be dissolved effective upon the date its final recommendations are received by General Council, with the thanks of the Presbytery for its good work.**
- CA 7. **THAT in accord with *Book of Order* G-2.0404, Presbytery approve the written requests submitted by the Sessions of First Presbyterian, Lenoir and First Presbyterian, Forest City for waivers of *Book of Order* G-2.0404, requiring the rotation of officers because of a limited pool of members able to serve.**

*G-2.0404 Terms of Service*

*Ruling elders and deacons shall be elected to serve terms of no more than three years on the session or board of deacons, and may be eligible for reelection according to congregational rule. However, no ruling elder or deacon shall be eligible to serve more than six consecutive years, and a ruling elder or deacon who has served six consecutive years shall be ineligible for election to the same board for at least one year. Election shall be to classes as nearly equal in number as possible, with the term of only one class ending each year. The presbytery may, upon written request and by majority vote, grant a congregation a waiver of this limitation on terms.*

**RECOMMENDATION 2 FROM THE  
GENERAL COUNCIL REPORT**

(See General Council Report (C) for contents of recommendations.)

- CA 2. **THAT the Presbytery elect the following persons to serve on the Nominating and Representation Committee:**

Nominating/Representation:

Ms. Evelyn Jarrett (Asheville, First)	(B)	Class of 2021
Ms. Jill Kimbirl (Belmont, First)	(D)	Class of 2023

**RECOMMENDATIONS III. A thru E, IV and V  
FROM THE FIRST SECTION OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY REPORT AND  
RECOMMENDATIONS VI. A and B OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
MINISTRY REPORT.**

(See Committee on Ministry Report (D) for contents of recommendations.)

- CA III. RECOMMEND TO PRESBYTERY THE VALIDATION OF MINISTRY FOR:**
- A. Tommy Brown, as Director of William Black Lodge in Montreat, through October 27, 2021.
  - B. Joey Byrd, as Chaplain in the U.S. Army, through October 27, 2021.
  - C. Bill Buchanan, as Executive Director of Asheville Youth Mission, through October 27, 2021.
  - D. Lisle Garrity, as Creative Director of A Sanctified Art, through October 27, 2021.
  - E. Joan Martin, as Chaplain at Covenant Village, Gastonia, NC, through October 27, 2021.
- CA IV. RECOMMEND TO PRESBYTERY THAT LENOIR FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, UPON ITS WRITTEN REQUEST, BE GRANTED A WAIVER OF LIMITATIONS ON TERMS OF RULING ELDERS, *BOOK OF ORDER (G-20404)*.**
- CA V. RECOMMEND TO PRESBYTERY THAT FOREST CITY FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, UPON ITS WRITTEN REQUEST, BE GRANTED A WAIVER OF LIMITATIONS ON TERMS OF RULING ELDERS, *BOOK OF ORDER (G-20404)*.**
- CA VI. THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING REGARDING PASTORAL TERMS OF CALL:**
- A. In light of the financial instability occasioned by the pandemic and its ongoing nature, the COM recommends to Presbytery that the minimum terms of call for calendar year 2021 for this Presbytery remain as already stated for calendar year 2020.
  - B. In light of the financial instability occasioned by the pandemic and its ongoing nature, the COM makes no recommendation to Presbytery as to any increases for any other terms of call for calendar year 2021. This lack of a recommendation should not be construed as a suggestion or directive that churches should refrain from increasing the compensation for their called clergy for calendar year 2021 if they possess the financial resources to do so.

**RECOMMENDATIONS 1-20 FROM THE  
NOMINATING/REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE REPORT**  
(See Nominating/Representation Committee Report (I)  
for contents of recommendations)

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| <b>CA</b> | <b>1.</b> | <b><u>General Council</u></b>                   |     |                              |                |
|           |           | Rev. John Hagmann (Morganton, First)            | (E) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Mr. Ron Tingle (Waynesville, First)             | (A) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Ms. Sue Johnson                                 | (D) | Division of Outreach/Mission |                |
| <b>CA</b> | <b>2.</b> | <b><u>Committee on Ministry</u></b>             |     |                              |                |
|           |           | Rev. Dr. Whit Malone (Hickory, First)           | (E) |                              | Chair for 2021 |
|           |           | Mr. James Taylor (Newdale/Crossnore)            | (F) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Ms. Jan Duncan                                  | (E) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Mrs. Laura C. Russell (Banner Elk)              | (F) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Rev. Dr. Wanda Neely (Marion, First)            | (E) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Ms. Becky Stevens (Lenoir, First)               | (E) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Rev. Kathryn Cameron                            | (B) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Mr. Melvin Meares (Hickory, First)              | (E) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Ms. Lois Camp (Third Street)                    | (D) | Class of 2022                |                |
| <b>CA</b> | <b>3.</b> | <b><u>Examinations Committee</u></b>            |     |                              |                |
|           |           | Rev. Dr. John Frye (Retired)                    |     | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Rev. Dr. Wallace Johnson (Retired)              | (E) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Mr. Bob Porter (Sylva, First)                   | (A) | Class of 2023                |                |
| <b>CA</b> | <b>4.</b> | <b><u>Preparation for Ministry</u></b>          |     |                              |                |
|           |           | Rev. David Roquemore (Newton, First)            | (E) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Rev. Emily Wilmarth (Highlands, First)          | (A) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Dr. Jeff Hamilton                               | (C) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Rev. Keith Morrison (Retired)                   | (A) | Class of 2023                |                |
| <b>CA</b> | <b>5.</b> | <b><u>Peace &amp; Justice Committee</u></b>     |     |                              |                |
|           |           | Rev. Jill Isola (Northminster)                  | (E) |                              | Chair for 2021 |
|           |           | Rev. Priscilla Durkin (Retired)                 | (B) | Class of 2022                |                |
|           |           | Rev. Dr. Allan Purtill (Tryon)                  | (C) | Class of 2023                |                |
| <b>CA</b> | <b>6.</b> | <b><u>Hunger Committee</u></b>                  |     |                              |                |
|           |           | Mrs. Virginia Bradford (Brevard-Davidson River) | (C) | Class of 2023                | Chair for 2021 |
| <b>CA</b> | <b>7.</b> | <b><u>Mission Committee</u></b>                 |     |                              |                |
|           |           | Rev. Ellen Dozier (Retired)                     | (C) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Ms. Joanne Mitchell (Southminster)              | (D) | Class of 2023                |                |
|           |           | Mrs. Jamie Brady (Asheville, First)             | (B) |                              | Chair for 2021 |
|           |           | Rev. Meagan Findeiss (Asheville, First)         | (B) | Class of 2023                |                |

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| CA | 8.  | <b><u>Campus Ministry</u></b>                             |     |               |                |
|    |     | Rev. Richard Coble (Grace Covenant)                       | (B) |               | Chair for 2021 |
|    |     | Rev. Tommy Brown (Wm. Blk. Lodge)                         | (B) | Class of 2023 |                |
| CA | 9.  | <b><u>Youth Committee</u></b>                             |     |               |                |
|    |     | Rev. Carol Steele (Mont. Conf. Ctr.)                      | (B) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Mr. Steve Keen (Southminster)                             | (D) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Mr. Collin Caldwell (Bryson City)                         | (A) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Ms. Susannah Bryant (Gastonia, First)                     | (D) | Class of 2022 |                |
| CA | 10. | <b><u>Christian Education</u></b>                         |     |               |                |
|    |     | Ms. Gayla Woody (Southminster)                            | (D) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Ms. Leila Bruder (Quaker Meadows)                         | (E) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Rev. Julie Hester (Asheville, First)                      | (B) | Class of 2021 |                |
|    |     | Ms. Jill Kimbirl (Belmont, First)                         | (D) | Class of 2022 |                |
| CA | 11. | <b><u>Smaller Membership Churches</u></b>                 |     |               |                |
|    |     | Rev. Chris Vogado (New Hope, Gastonia)                    | (D) | Class of 2023 | Chair for 2021 |
|    |     | Ms. Mary Gahagan (Dorland Memorial)                       | (B) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Ms. Renee Warthan (Ryburn Memorial)                       | (D) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Mr. Keith Ward (Union Mills)                              | (C) | Class of 2022 |                |
| CA | 12. | <b><u>Congregational Formation and Transformation</u></b> |     |               |                |
|    |     | Rev. David Bonnema (Unity)                                | (E) |               | Chair for 2021 |
|    |     | Mr. Russ Reighley (Sherrill's Ford)                       | (E) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Rev. Michael McKee (Newland)                              | (F) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Rev. Daniel Tipton  | (B) | Class of 2023 |                |
| CA | 13. | <b><u>Evangelism Committee</u></b>                        |     |               |                |
|    |     | Rev. Steve Elderbrock (Burnsville, First)                 | (F) |               | Chair for 2021 |
|    |     | Ms. Jeralaine Truesdale (Third Street)                    | (D) | Class of 2023 |                |
| CA | 14. | <b><u>Finance Committee</u></b>                           |     |               |                |
|    |     | Mr. Charles Sellers                                       | (D) | Class of 2023 | Chair for 2021 |
|    |     | Mr. Rodney Lytle (Warren Wilson)                          | (B) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Ms. Nancy Thompson (Waynesville, First)                   | (A) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Ms. Lucy Keil (Asheville, First)                          | (B) | Class of 2021 |                |
| CA | 15. | <b><u>Personnel Committee</u></b>                         |     |               |                |
|    |     | Rev. Dr. Don Scofield (Rutherfordton)                     | (C) |               | Chair for 2021 |
|    |     | Rev. Dr. Mark Stanley (Trinity)                           | (C) | Class of 2023 |                |
|    |     | Mr. John Stanley (Gastonia, First)                        | (D) | Class of 2023 |                |
| CA | 16. | <b><u>Permanent Judicial Commission</u></b>               |     |               |                |
|    |     | Rev. Dr. James Aydelotte (Retired)                        | (B) | Class of 2026 |                |
|    |     | Rev. Janet DeWater (Mt. Holly)                            | (D) | Class of 2026 |                |
| CA | 17. | <b><u>Guatemala Partnership Leadership Team</u></b>       |     |               |                |
|    |     | Ms. Marlies Owens (Sylva, First)                          | (A) | Class of 2023 |                |

- CA 18. **Malawi Leadership & Education Team**  
Mrs. Ann Drummond (B) Class of 2023  
Rev. Dana Seiler (Unity) (E) Class of 2023  
Ms. Jessie Stitt (Black Mountain) (B) Class of 2022  
Rev. Michael McKee (Newland) (F) Class of 2022  
Mrs. Jill Kimbirl (Belmont, First) (D) Class of 2021  
Ms. Dorothy McKenzie (Gastonia, First) (D) Class of 2021
- CA 19. **Synod of Mid-Atlantic Committee on Representation**  
Mr. Ryan Baldwin (Reems-Creek Beech) (B) Class of 2021
- CA 20. **Synod of Mid-Atlantic Commissioner for PWNC**  
Ms. Dorothy Descieux (Kenilworth) (B)